

## **REMARKS**

The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following remarks and amendments. Claims 5 and 9 are amended. Claims 1-4 are canceled. Accordingly, claims 5-14 are pending in the application.

### **I. Claims Rejected Under 35 U.S.C. § 103**

Claims 1-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2004/057431 filed by Song et al. in view of U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/0235205 filed by Song et al. See Office Action, page 2.

Claims 1-4 have been canceled. Thus, the rejection of claims 1-4 is moot.

### **II. Allowable Subject Matter**

The Applicants respectfully acknowledge with appreciation the Examiner's indication that claims 5-14 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. See Office Action, page 4. In response, claims 5 and 9 are amended to be in independent form as suggested by the Examiner. In particular, claims 5 and 9, as amended, are in independent form and recite the elements previously recited in claim 1 (now canceled). Thus, in light of the amendment of claims 5 and 9, the Applicants believe that claims 5 and 9, along with respective dependent claims 6-8 and 10-14, are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

## **CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that all claims now pending patentably define the subject invention over the prior art of record, and are in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would be useful in moving the application forward to allowance, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (310) 207 3800.

## **PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

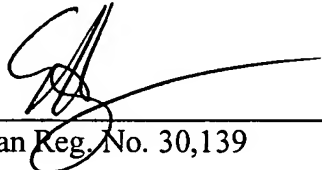
Per 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and in connection with the Office Action mailed on June 11, 2007, the Applicants respectfully petition the Commissioner for a three (3) month extension of time, extending the period for response to December 11, 2007. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment to Deposit Account No. 02-2666 in the amount of \$225.00 to cover the petition filing fee for a 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(2) small entity. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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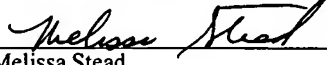
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